

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method for treating a body lumen of a patient, the method comprising:

placing at least two magnetic or magnetizable devices within a wall of the body lumen at a preselected location, wherein the magnetic or magnetizable devices are attracted to one another and wherein ~~the attraction between~~ movement of the magnetic devices due to their attraction at least partially constricts the lumen;

positioning a magnetizing device at a location near the implanted at least two devices;

magnetizing the at least one of the at least two devices with the magnetizing device;

positioning a pressure sensing device in the body lumen at a pressure sensing location near the implanted at least two magnetic or magnetizable devices;

sensing a pressure within the body lumen at the pressure sensing location; and
adjusting the magnetic power of at least one of the two magnetic or magnetizable devices based on the sensed pressure.

2. (Currently amended) A method as in claim 1, wherein placing the magnetic or magnetizable devices further comprises:

inserting an endoscope having a delivery device into the body lumen;

advancing the endoscope to position the delivery device near the preselected location; and

implanting, with the delivery device the at least two magnetic or magnetizable devices into the wall of the body lumen.

3.-4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended) A method as in claim [4] 1, wherein sensing is performed using a pressure sensor on the delivery device or endoscope.

6. (Currently amended) A method as in claim [4] 1 or 5, further comprising: positioning a magnet adjustment device at a location near the implanted at least two ~~magnets~~ magnetic or magnetizable devices; and adjusting the magnetic power of the at least two ~~magnets~~ magnetic or magnetizable devices, based on the sensed pressure within the body lumen ~~esophagus~~.

7. (Currently amended) A method as in claim 6, wherein adjusting is performed with an electromagnet on the delivery device ~~or the endoscope~~.

8. (Currently amended) A method as in claim 1, wherein the at least two magnetic or magnetizable devices comprise two magnets placed in opposing sides of the patient's body lumen ~~esophagus~~.

9. (Currently amended) A method as in claim 1, wherein the at least two magnetic or magnetizable devices comprise at least four magnets contained within a retaining ring, wherein the retaining ring is configured for placement within the wall of the body lumen ~~esophagus~~ and the at least four magnets attract one another in a radial pattern to constrict the retaining ring.

10. (Currently amended) A method as in claim 1, wherein the at least one of the at least two magnetic or magnetizable devices comprises magnetic particles.

11.-16-(Canceled)

17. (New) A method as in claim 1, wherein the body lumen is an esophagus.